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To: Sanders, Amy [Sanders.Amy@epa.gov]; Ballotti, Doug [ballotti.douglas@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: porta-fab workspace at Ann Arbor, MI

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Thanks,

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Subject: porta-fab workspace at Ann Arbor, MI

Hi All – I did provide the Union with an update on the porta-fab. I wanted to make you aware of the Union' Response below.

Now that a certain person has left the A2 facility and there is well more than 20 empty cubes in the GSA space (it's been estimated at over 75). Cant we just look at moving our people into that space and convert the portafab into an EOC and additional meeting space for the R5 folk so they can actually do the work they are assigned to do?

Or bring CIC, brownsfields, and enforcement personnel to GI and keep this office open so they can be closer to their sites in the Detroit/Toledo area.

Just some thoughts I want to throw out there.

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Thank you Keith – I do not believe management is currently considering other options. I will forward you recommendations to senior management.

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"Keep in mind that the real world comes first, the math comes second."

From: Marlinga, Richard
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Subject: porta-fab workspace at Ann Arbor, MI

Hi Nicole and Keith - On Thursday, May 16, a supervisor with the Office of Administration's Real Property Services Division (RPSD) informed R5's facility manager of a recently discovered matter concerning the porta-fab workspace at Ann Arbor, MI. This may cause employees to reconsider their workstation selections, and if AFGE agrees then we should begin the selection process again with the following information in mind. All 10 standard workstations on the first floor of the office will be slightly smaller in area than the four standard workstations on the 2nd floor. We have learned from RPSD's discussion with their furniture vendor, that this is caused by several factors (refer to the attached diagram and photographs): 1) the workstations on the first floor must be inset from the exterior walls to make room for a series of square columns that support the weight of the 2nd floor; and 2) the resulting loss of aisle width between the workstations compromises ADA and emergency egress requirements, and must be re-gained at the expense of workstation area. If there are any questions concerning this matter, feel free to contact Matthew Mankowski or myself.

Thank you.

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